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Bonn: Only 'Explored' Idea of Spain Bases

BONN.—A West German mission of three field-grade officers visited Spain recently to study the possibility of arranging German military concessions in that country, it was disclosed here yesterday.

The disclosure was made by Defence Minister Franz Josef Strauss to the U.S. and British Ambassadors, who he called on him at his request in the wake of persistent reports that the West Germans were seeking military supply bases in Spain and other West European countries.

Mr. Strauss, it was learned, told the two diplomats that the mission's visit was an exploratory one at low level, and that if there were any negotiations on the matter they would be conducted only within the context of Nato.

Spain is not a member of the North Atlantic alliance.

Causes Furor

The original West German decision, apparently made without consulting Nato, has caused a furor in West European capitals and has stirred angry press charges that Bonn "went behind the backs" of its allies.

Both the U.S. and British Governments have clearly indicated their opposition to West German plans for military depots in Spain, and the publicity given to the plan, as well as foreign reaction which continued yesterday have caused great embarrassment here.

Official West German spokesmen yesterday again denied there had been any negotiations with Spain on military depots for the Bundeswehr, and said a plan was being drawn up for submission to Nato dealing with all possible supply bases for Nato forces, including the West German army.

Denial in Madrid

(In Madrid yesterday the Spanish Government denied West Germany had negotiated with Spain about military bases and described the re. rts as false.)

The opposition Social Democratic Party here last night attacked the Adenauer Government for "monstrous stupidity." It said in its newsletter that a link between Dr. Adenauer and General Franco "brings back evil memories of another alliance to our Western allies."

The independent Hamburg newspaper "Die Welt" said the Bonn Government had made "an unfortunate move" and created "misgivings and even bad tempers among our friends." *(UPI, Reuter)*

Amery Opens New Talks in Cyprus

By GEOFFREY WIGODER
Special to the Jerusalem Post

NICOSIA. — The British Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. Julian Amery, met on Wednesday with Archbishop Makarios and Dr. Fadil Kutchuk, the Greek and Turkish Cypriot leaders, for a new series of talks on the impasse over the declaration of independence.

The one-hour meeting was described as preliminary, and a brief statement issued afterwards said agreement was reached on a programme of work. They will meet again today.

Discuss Civil Rule

The first topic of the discussions was understood to be that of civil administration of the sovereign areas. Britain wants sovereignty over 120 square miles for two bases and the Cypriots have offered 36. A Turkish Cypriot compromise offer was 80 square miles. There are no details available on what proposals Mr. Amery brought with him despite widespread and conflicting speculation.

Tuesday night's bomb incidents, although coinciding with Mr. Amery's arrival, were officially said to be completely unconnected. The blast which caused heavy damage to a Cypriot-owned hotel in Ledra Street and the explosion at the home of the Mayor of Paphos in West Cyprus, were stated to have had private and communal backgrounds.

Concern over Grivas

Concern is expressed here over Gen. Grivas's statement opposing an increase in the size of the British bases beyond 36 square miles, and his intransigeance may make it difficult for Makarios to offer concessions and may prolong negotiations.

The Archbishop told this correspondent yesterday, "I am by nature optimistic, and this applies to the current situation. If a deadlock is reached, the British Government must be blamed. My feeling is that the London and Zurich agreements cannot be overriden and the British Government must take full responsibility for the consequences if the independence declaration is delayed."

US: Germans Must Decide Own Future

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The State Department spokesman said yesterday that the U.S. would continue to support the principle that any plan for settling the German problem must provide for real expression of the popular will of the German people.

The spokesman, Mr. Francis Tully, declined at his press briefing to comment in detail on reports that the U.S. was considering proposing at the May summit meeting a plebiscite in both East and West Germany as a means of breaking the German deadlock.

The plan would be put before Premier Khrushchev of Russia at the forthcoming East-West summit meeting in Paris this spring.

The suggestion was said to be only one of the ideas the West intends to put before the conference to break the deadlock over a solution to the German problem.

The strategy of proposing an all-German plebiscite by secret ballot has emerged from the Allied pre-summit negotiations now in progress in Washington and through diplomatic channels between London, Paris, Washington and Bonn. The proposed plebiscite would be conducted under U.N. supervision.

Trial for Wearing Nazi Army Uniforms

BOLZANO, North Italy (Reuter). — A 70-year-old Austrian and six Italians from South Tyrol are to be tried on a charge of wearing World War II German Army uniforms during a demonstration here last Sunday, police said on Wednesday.

They were arrested on Sunday after police with truncheons dispersed demonstrators demanding that South Tyrol, ceded to Italy after World War I, should be restored to Austria.

The six Italians were described as former members of a Nazi Alpine regiment.

AHARON COHEN

Hearings Begin In Aharon Cohen Case

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The preliminary investigation in the case of Aharon Cohen, charged with offences against State security, opened yesterday morning before the Relieving President of the District Court, Judge B. Zohar. A member of Kibbutz Sha'ar Ha'amakim, Mr. Cohen is the Mapam party's Arab affairs expert and the author of four books on the Arab world.

He is accused of obtaining secret information and passing it on to an agent of a foreign power.

The four-hour hearing was devoted entirely to procedural arguments by the defence and the prosecution. Defence Counsel S. Backheim opened by requesting that the trial be open. His client had nothing to hide and was interested in having the whole matter known to the public. When the prosecution agreed to the request, Judge Zohar decided on a public hearing, except during presentation of evidence of a security nature.

3 Defence Lawyers

Cohen is represented by three lawyers; Messrs. Sackheim, Y. Kushnir and E. Toister.

Mr. Sackheim argued that the prosecution should have submitted all evidence not later than January 25, seven days after the date for hearing was fixed. As this had been done only on Feb. 1 the law had not been complied with, and evidence had not been presented to justify the charges against his client. Mr. Sackheim also claimed that the changes which had been made in the charge sheet affected his client's rights.

In reply, District Attorney A. L. Rabinowitz claimed the prosecution had acted within the letter of the law. Alterations in the charge sheet had been made only with the intention of safeguarding the accused's rights, by giving him reasonable notice of all the charges preferred against him.

Judge Zohar deferred his ruling on these points until this morning's hearing.

Lebanon Guarantees Secret Ballot

The Lebanese Cabinet yesterday approved the new elections law which is to be submitted to Parliament shortly, according to Amman Radio.

It provides for the division of Beirut into three electoral districts, apparently on communal lines, and the right to secret ballot. Each voter will receive an election card and the old system of voters lists is abolished.

SUDAN REFUSES VISAS TO FRENCH TOURISTS

KHARTOUM (Reuter).—The Sudanese Embassy in Paris has refused visa applications from 40 French tourists wishing to visit the Sudan, according to press reports here.

The reports said the refusal was due to circumstances following the recent French nuclear test explosion in the Sahara.

Iraq, U.S. Discuss Cultural Accord

BAGHDAD (Reuter).—Talks for a cultural agreement between Iraq and the U.S. began here on Wednesday between the Minister of Education, Brig. Muhi e-Din Abdul Hamid, and the American Ambassador, Mr. John Jernegan.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said that Iraq proposed "very little" changes to a draft agreement submitted by the American side. The spokesman said a second meeting will be held after Washington approves the draft agreement.

The accord would be the first cultural agreement between Iraq and the U.S. which has been granting funds and scholarships for Iraqi students under the Fulbright agreement signed in 1951.

US Negroes Invade Lunchrooms

CHATTANOOGA, Tennessee (UPI).—The police were mobilized at full strength here on Wednesday to meet a threat of racial violence growing from Negro high school students' protests against segregation at store lunch counters.

Police Commissioner H. P. Dunlap cancelled leaves and vacations for his force after a "pushing and shoving" battle between Whites and Negroes jammed into two downtown city stores at the lunch hour on Tuesday. Two persons were injured and 11 Whites and one Negro arrested on disorderly conduct charges.

At Winston-Salem, North Carolina, 12 Negro college students taking part in a sit-down demonstration at a Woolworth Store were arrested while Negroes demonstrated against lunch counter segregation at Rock Hill, South Carolina, and Richmond, Virginia.

The spreading campaign against the Southern custom of excluding Negroes from lunch counters at drug, dime and department stores which began three weeks ago at Greensboro, North Carolina, was followed by a statement from the Georgia Attorney-General, Eugene Cook, that it might lead to a revival of the Ku Klux Klan.

Mr. Cook said "local and state authorities" would meet what he called a "threat" by the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., that "gangs of Negroes would demand food-counter service" in Georgia.

He referred to an interview in which a magazine ("Newsweek") quoted the Rev. King as saying the lunch-counter demonstrations will spread to Georgia, Louisiana and Alabama. The Rev. King, an Atlanta ogro Minister, has no official connection with the lunch-counter movement, but at a rally last week in Durham, North Carolina, he urged that it be expanded.

Khairi Communists in Iraq Refused Licence as Party

BAGHDAD (Reuter).—The Minister of Interior, Gen. Ahmed Mohammed Yehya, has rejected the application of the Zaki Khairi group to form the Ittihad Sha'ab (People's Union) Party, which was originally called the Iraqi Communist Party, it was announced yesterday.

The party was renamed after the licensing earlier this month of the group of Daud el Sayegh as the Communist Party.

In turning down the application, the Minister said that the new Associations Law governing the licensing of political parties entitles the Khairi group to appeal the decision in court within 15 days. The court would then issue its verdict within 15 days, and this decision would be final.

The letter of rejection said the law forbade the existence of two political parties with similar objectives and policies. It added that the renaming of the party after the actual submission of applications was unacceptable.

Objection to Platform

It also stated that information available to the Ministry from quarters concerned showed that the party's platform did not comply with Article 4 of the law. This says that a party's objectives must be the safeguarding of the nation's independence and of its various communities and must not conflict with the requirements of democracy.

The national charter of Khairi's Communist Party, published on January 16, said its main aims were to liquidate remaining imperialist influence, exploitation and feudalism, release democratic freedoms to the people, safeguard the republic and strengthen its democratic structure and national unity.

The first three parties licensed earlier this month are the National Democratic Party, the Democratic Party of Kurdistan (Iraq), and the Communist Party led by Sayegh.

LOGICAL SEQUENCE

Our Arab affairs correspondent writes:

The refusal of Gen. Kassem's Government to license Khairi's group is a logical sequel to earlier steps which now seem to have been designed subtly to break up the orthodox Communist Party, and at the same time to enable Kassem to have "his own" Communists — the el-Sayegh group — licensed on February 18.

Kassem's action amounts to a minor coup. The Communist group of Zaki Khairi still has a strong hold on many front organisations, trade unions and associations, which in the recent past led most of the mammoth demonstrations in support of Kassem. There is no doubt that many of Khairi's followers will go over to the licensed Communist Party. Among trade unions, the tendency is more to defect to the National Democratic Party, a moderate leftist group which advocates that trade unions be divorced from politics.

Two Factors

Two factors encourage Kassem to break up the orthodox Communist Party: the first is the party's loss of prestige. Military courts up and down the country have indicted scores of Khairi Communists and sentenced many to death for murder, arson and violence, although none of the sentences has been carried out so far. The second factor is the almost complete suppression of the Nasserists and Ba'thists in Iraq. Kassem took his strong stand towards the Communists when Nasser's incitement against him reached new peaks in Syria, and it is not unlikely that a showdown with the Khairi Communists is now approaching.

Baghdad Court To Resume Hearings

BAGHDAD (Reuter). — The People's Court is to resume hearing today on the 78 persons charged with being involved in the attempted assassination last October of Premier Kassem. The trial began on December 30 last year.

The prosecutor, Col. Mohammed Amin, has demanded the death penalty for nearly all the accused, 12 of whom are being tried in absentia.

Knesset Votes Down Herut's No-Confidence Bid, 58-16

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Ben-Gurion told the Knesset yesterday that it was because he understood Abdul Nasser's mind and the reactions of the Arab rulers that he had organized the Army and the country's defence to secure Israel against attacks.

If he were to meet President Eisenhower or Prime Minister Macmillan he would also tell them that he understood why Nasser wanted to increase his armaments and why a certain great power was supplying him with arms, Mr. Ben-Gurion said. He would explain to these statesmen that it was therefore necessary to preserve the law and to strengthen Israel sufficiently to deter the Arabs from carrying out their aggressive intentions.

The Prime Minister was replying to a Herut non-confidence motion, the first to be moved in the Fourth Knesset, which arose out of statements made by Mr. Ben-Gurion on Monday in the Knesset debate on Military Government.

Herut Votes Alone

The Herut motion was rejected by 58 votes of the five coalition parties to 16, with 13 abstentions. Only Herut supported the motion. The General Zionists, Agudat Yisrael and the Communists abstained.

Mr. Ben-Gurion was interrupted by intermittent shouting from the Herut benches, which began when he referred to "the rabble" that had been incited to demonstrate and throw stones at the Knesset seven years ago.

The Speaker, Mr. Kadish Luz, had to call several Knesset Members to order, and threatened to adjourn the session before yesterday's debate could proceed. It was reminiscent of the scenes in the House in January, 1958, when recollection of the Altalena incident brought recriminations between the Premier and Mr. Begin, no bitter as any yet heard in the Knesset.

'Dangerous' Statement

Quoting Mr. Ben-Gurion's statement last Monday when the Premier said he understood the minds of Arabs who try to infiltrate into Israel and of those who give them shelter here, Mr. Begin charged the Prime Minister with having made the most dangerous remarks ever heard in the Knesset concerning the State's security and its future.

Mr. Begin said the Prime Minister's statements could incite Israel's 200,000 Arab citizens, and that Mr. Ben-Gurion's irresponsible remarks endanger any security. He thus calling for a vote of no confidence in the Government headed by him.

Mr. Ben-Gurion replied that he would not retract a word of his statements. The interpretation given to them by Mr. Begin did not apply, and only the latter was responsible for them.

One had to understand many things in life, Mr. Ben-Gurion said, and he also understood the feelings of the hooligans who threw stones at the Knesset several years ago because they had been incited by a demagogue. Understanding a state of mind and feelings means understanding human nature, whether it is good or bad, and if he would not understand the minds of Israel's neighbours he would not be Prime Minister, Mr. Ben-Gurion declared.

Mr. Yosef Serlin (General Zionists), explaining the abstention of his party, said that the interpretation given by Mr. Begin to the Prime Minister's remarks was more dangerous than the original statement itself.

Sneh Explains

Dr. Moshe Sneh (Communists), explaining his party's abstention, reiterated the Communist stand that only by supporting the equal rights of "Palestine's two peoples" could a just and realistic solution of the Israel-Arab dispute be found. Israel will not be destroyed, either by empty slogans or by force, and her lawful and just rights to existence and development cannot be abolished, Dr. Sneh stressed. But these do not contradict the just national rights of the Arab people in "Palestine."

After the debate the Knesset rejected, without a count of votes, two motions for the agenda by Herut and the Communists demanding a full debate in the House on, respectively, the political and security situation and the preservation of tranquility on the borders.

Calling for the withdrawal of both motions, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion said that the political and security situation was now the subject of a sitting and most responsible discussion in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee where such a discussion should remain.

DANISH ROYAL COUPLE

WASHINGTON (UPI).—The White House announced on Wednesday that King Frederick and Queen Ingrid of Denmark have accepted President Eisenhower's invitation to visit the U.S. in early October.

France Curbs Permission To Leave Algeria

ALGIERS. — Permission to leave Algeria has been suspended from yesterday morning until February 29, except for exceptionally serious reasons, the Governor-General announced here yesterday.

No immediate reason was given for the decision.

Well-informed political sources were of the opinion that the ban was imposed to prevent right-wing extremists from travelling to the Languedoc region of Southern France to attempt to whip up demonstrations against President de Gaulle who left Paris last night on a three-day tour of the southern provinces.

But the spokesman at Government House, M. Philippe Thibaud, said in answer to questions at a press conference that there was "no real ban" on persons leaving Algeria, but only an inquiry into the identity of those who wanted to leave and their reasons.

Since January

Exit visas have been necessary in order to leave Algeria since last month's revolt by European insurgents agitating against General de Gaulle's policy of self-determination for the territory.

In Paris, Gen. de Gaulle called in the Cabinet to seek a last-minute solution to the threat of a "farmers' revolt." Police alerted forces in southern France for the President's tour through regions seething with discontent over the Government's "austere" policy of fixing prices on farm products.

The steadily worsening deadlock between the Government and farm leaders showed little hope of ending.

The President's trip had been planned long in advance and was not related to the farm price crisis. But the tour has now shaped up as a test of support for the de Gaulle regime.

(Reuter, UPI).

UAR Massing Army in Sinai

Reports reached Jerusalem last night that fresh concentrations of Egyptian armor and men had been noticed in the Kuntilla area, near the northern border of the Sinai peninsula.

Kuntilla is a crossroads point 32 kms. south-west of Nitzana.

The reports, however, could not be confirmed at a late hour last night.

PARIS REPORTS

PARIS (UPI). — Partial mobilisation by Egypt was reported in information reaching here on Wednesday. Unofficial sources close to the Israel Embassy confirmed that the U.A.R. Government is requisitioning trucks and other vehicles, construction pontoons and moving troops into the Sinai Peninsula.

The leading morning newspaper, "Le Figaro," reported there may soon be a sharp Middle East crisis, which it said is being provoked by the Soviet Union in order to force the Western powers into a discussion of Middle East problems at the summit meeting next May.

The present Egyptian moves are not considered as being a serious threat to Israel's security, and Nasser's charges that Israel is mobilising were seen as a pretext to making possible this move.

Dayan Gets Popular Welcome in Paris

By ISRAEL NEUMANN
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — An estimated two million persons watched a television interview with Abul Moshe Dayan, who is to fly to London this morning on his way to the U.S. on a one-month tour in aid of Israel Bonds.

Yesterday, Abul Dayan was the luncheon guest of Baron Rothschild. He has been meeting with friends, including the French Chief of Staff, Gen. Paul Ely, and despite the fact his visit is of a private character he has been given wide press publicity and has met with a warm welcome everywhere.

The former Israel Chief of Staff has spent much of his time visiting art galleries accompanied by his daughter, Yael.

Meanwhile, the Israel Deputy Defence Minister, Mr. Shimon Peres, is continuing his talks concerning security needs.

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Italian Government Decides to Quit

ROME (Reuter). — Italy's Christian Democratic Government decided unanimously to resign tonight after a year in office, and plunged the country into political crisis.

Premier Antonio Segni presided over an 80-minute Cabinet meeting at which the decision was made, and informed President Gronchi immediately afterwards.

The Directorate of the ruling Christian Democratic Party and its group in the two Houses of Parliament had already decided that the Cabinet should resign after losing the support of the small right-of-centre Liberal Party, who believed the Christian Democrats were trying to come to terms with the Socialists.

After the Liberal decision the Government still had a majority but Premier Segni did not want to depend entirely on the Monarchists and neo-Fascists. Political commentators forecast a "torturous crisis."

44 Dead, 79 Still Trapped in Zwickau

ZWICKAU (Reuter)—Smoke-grimed rescue workers fighting raging underground fires in the Karl Marx pit here yesterday brought up 37 bodies, raising the death toll in the Zwickau disaster to 44.

Another 79 miners are still entombed about 1,000 metres underground. German and Czechoslovak rescuers are making desperate efforts to reach them.

One fire in a vital access pit has been extinguished, it was revealed last night, but there are two more at different levels.

Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl of East Germany, who yesterday arrived at this mining town near the Czech border for an on-the-spot study of rescue operations, pledged that rescue work would not cease while one single spark of hope remains.

The trapped men, who have been cut off since an explosion on Monday morning, are still believed to have a slim chance of survival.

As 400 rescue workers were fighting their way forward in relays, Rudi Groitzsch, leader of a rescue team who has saved several lives, told me that the trapped men had a chance if they could reach a fresh air shaft known to be behind the wall of fire.

U.S. to Put Man in Space This Year

ALAMOGORDO, New Mexico (UPI). — Maj.-Gen. Don R. Ostrander, of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said yesterday that NASA plans to send an astronaut 100 miles into space with a Redstone missile this year, and put a man in orbit in 1961.

Gen. Ostrander, Director of NASA's Launch Vehicle Programme, said by 1970, according to present plans, men will land on the moon. He said Venus and Mars will be in favourable position for space missions in 1965 and "very shortly" a Thor-Able probe will be launched toward the sun as far as Venus' orbit to test long-distance communication techniques.

Sounds Warning to Communism

RIO DE JANEIRO (Reuter). — President Eisenhower told a joint session of the Brazilian Congress here yesterday the U.S. would consider it an intervention in the internal affairs of an American state if any power, "whether by intervention, coercion or subversion," succeeded in denying them freedom of choice.

Many observers here said this constituted one of the strongest warnings ever given by Mr. Eisenhower on possible subversion by international Communism in the Western Hemisphere.

The passage was interpreted as extending the Monroe Doctrine which declares the U.S. relationship with the other American countries to include coercion or subversion. The doctrine at present warns outside powers in effect: "Hands off the American continent."

Addresses Congress

The President was addressing the Congress after his arrival by air from Brasilia, the country's future capital, 1,000 kms. to the north-west, on his goodwill tour of the South American continent.

After hosting at his airport President Eisenhower boarded a launch for a trip across Rio Bay with a Brazilian Air Force escort.

Brazilian and American warships anchored in the bay and many private craft blew their whistles and hooters in welcome during the hour-long crossing. After landing on the other side the President went to the Brazilian Navy Ministry where he was welcomed to Rio de Janeiro by President Juscelino Kubitschek. At the welcoming ceremony President Eisenhower said the American people shared the hopes which "that wars and all forms of coercion be forever banished from the earth, that the leaders of all nations hearken to the prayers of their peoples for peace with justice."

Hope for Peace

His expressed way hope for a peace where the armaments race would give way to a constructive, cooperative attack against disease, ignorance and poverty — a peace "which would be strengthened as much as that enjoyed by our two countries & today throughout the world."

Mr. Eisenhower referred to this theme when he addressed the Brazilian Congress, saying the U.S. would continue to urge other free nations to devote substantial portions of their energies from disarmament to peaceful development.

The search for peace was the imperative responsibility of every statesman, and war was never patently premature, he added.

Greeted by $10,000

About 300,000 persons stood in the capital's main street, the Avenida Rio Branco, and many others watched and threw confetti and streamers from windows as the motorcade bearing the two Presidents passed by.

Eisenhower were dressed with enormous Brazilian and American flags across streets from top to bottom of the buildings, and many also carried banners saying "I like Ike."

The only discordant note was a large banner hung on the facade of the National Students' Union reading "Ike is the Fidel Castro." With it was a picture of the bearded Cuban revolutionary Prime Minister.

'K' and Sukarno Open Talks in Bali

TAMPAKSIRING, Bali (Reuter). — The Soviet Premier, Mr. Khrushchev, and President Sukarno opened "preliminary" talks in a cliff-top rest house here yesterday.

The Indonesian leader was anxious to avoid discussing his country's relations with Communist China, according to authoritative sources. During the Russians raised the subject, it would be bypassed and the talks were expected to proceed smoothly.

So far the Soviet leader has been busy touring Java in steamy heat and appeared tired when he reached the island of Bali on Tuesday.

Closely Guarded

After an early tour of the island by car, Mr. Khrushchev and Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko together with President Sukarno, First Minister Djuanda and Foreign Minister Subandrio, settled down to their discussions in the closely-guarded rest house about 80 kms. from the Balinese capital of Denpasar.

Relations between Indonesia and China, formerly cordial, deteriorated rapidly last year when the Indonesian Government began to evacuate Chinese small traders from West Java villages. China protested, alleging that Indonesian officials had acted brutally.

Indonesian authorities denied these charges but there has been no indication since of any closer feeling between the two countries.

New Guinea Issue

But Indonesian leaders are expected to raise another current dispute — over the control of West New Guinea, at present under Dutch jurisdiction. Russia has already backed Indonesia on this matter.

It is also considered certain that further arms aid for Indonesia will be discussed.

Mr. Khrushchev's party includes the Soviet Culture Minister, Mr. N. A. Mikhailov, who yesterday told the foundation stone of a $1,750,000 Marine Research Institute being built at Ambon with Soviet aid. Mr. Khrushchev was to have performed the ceremony himself, but delegated the task first to Mr. Gromyko and then to Mr. Mikhailov.

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Nehru Says Meeting With Chou 'Desirable'

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Premier Nehru said that it was desirable that he meet with Premier Chou En-lai of China to discuss border problems — even though it was "by no means certain any positive good might result."

He told a press conference that he had a "certain reluctance" to go out of India to meet Mr. Chou. He added that he had received no reply so far to his invitation to Mr. Chou earlier this month to come to India to discuss ways of resolving a settlement of the border dispute.

PEKING-CAIRO TRADE

HONG KONG (Reuter). — Communist China and the United Arab Republic yesterday agreed each to export goods worth £10m. a year.

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Social & Personal

The President, Mr. Itzhak Ben-Zvi, yesterday received a cable from Queen Elizabeth of England thanking him for his message of congratulations on the birth of her son.

The President yesterday received the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Haim Laskov.

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Dr. Rodolfo Garcia Arias, the Argentinian Ambassador, and Mr. E. Colombo, the Argentinian Cultural Attache, yesterday visited Nir Zvi, near Ramle, which is settled by immigrants from Argentina, at the invitation of the Israel Federation of Wizo. They were entertained to lunch by Israel and World Wizo.

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The British Ambassador and Mrs. Patrick Hancock recently visited the central packing houses of the Citrus Marketing Board and were later entertained to lunch by the Board.

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The mission of Seine Department officials, headed by Senator Georges Dardel, yesterday visited Haifa. They were received by Mayor Abba Khoushy, were the luncheon guests of the City Executive, and toured the city. Senator Dardel presented the Mayor with a medallion.

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Prof. Paul H. Dunakin, Dean of the Law School, La Salle Extension University, Chicago, yesterday visited the Hebrew University and was received by the Dean of the Law Faculty, Prof. H. Klinghoffer.

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Mr. Sidney B. Lunzer, of London, member of the Board of Governors and of the British Council for the Shaare Zedek Hospital, is at present in Jerusalem to confer with Israel members of the Board.

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The Rina Nikova Jerusalem Biblical Ballet gave a performance on Tuesday night in Tiberias. Messrs. Joe Amar and Saadia Damari, Orienta' vocalists, assisted by the Kol Yisrael Oriental Choir, and conducted by Mr. Yosef Ben-Israel, participated.

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Professor Benyamin Amira will lecture on: "La quatrième dimension" at the Centre de Culture Française, 3 Rehov Ben Yehuda, at 6 p.m. today. M. Christian de Sainte-Marie, Consul-General of France in Jerusalem, will preside. The lecture will be accompanied by a film made by the Palais de la Découverte in Paris.

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Dr. J. Bar Or will speak on "Human Rights" at today's meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club.

B-G Appeals for Data On War Criminals

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion on Monday called on all persons with information about Nazi war criminals immediately to contact Yad Vashem in Jerusalem.

Mr. Ben-Gurion issued the call in the Knesset in reply to a question by Mr. Peretz Bernstein (General Zionists) concerning the expiration of the West German war crimes law on May 8.

He added that Yad Vashem is in constant contact with the West German legal authorities and that Israel is doing her utmost to ensure that all war criminals are brought to justice.

BAN ON GERMAN FILM TO REMAIN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministerial Committee for Interior Affairs has decided that public opinion in Israel would not react favourably to any decision to allow the showing of the German film "Paradies und Feuerofen."

The film, which depicts Israel in a favourable light, was shot in this country by a team of German technicians and has been widely praised abroad.

The Committee, which met on Tuesday, decided, however, to review the question of lifting the ban in another two months.

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Israel Expert Aids Liberia's School

by a Special Correspondent

MONROVIA. — In a short but impressive ceremony held here recently, the Secretary of Public Instruction, Mr. Nathaniel V. Massaquoi, formally presented the new Curriculum and Study Guide for Liberian schools and made special mention of the work of an Israeli who is the Unesco expert for science teaching, Mr. P. Vardin (Rosenkranz).

Mr. Vardin, on leave from the Hebrew University's Secondary School and Faculty of Education, has during his few months in Liberia already made considerable contributions in the field of education. Besides his work on the new science curriculum, Mr. Vardin served on a special eight-man committee set up by the Liberian President, Mr. William S. Tubman, to prepare a $5m., four-year plan for the advancement of education.

This week Mr. Vardin, who will be Visiting Professor at the University of Liberia Teachers Training College, was asked to address the University faculty on "The Role of a Developing University," to be rebroadcast later.

Amongst his immediate plans is the setting up of completely new physics, chemistry and biology laboratories at the U.L. High School. There, in conjunction with the Teachers Training College, Liberia's future science teachers will receive their practical training.

During the present school vacations Mr. Vardin has been conducting special method courses for over 600 teachers in Monrovia and the outlying centres of Kiay and Kakata.

STUDENTS of the Tel Aviv Academy of Music will give a concert at Beit Harofe on Saturday at 8.30 p.m. under the auspices of the Tel Aviv University and the patronage of Mrs. Chaim Weizmann.

VISITORS' GALLERY:

A. A. Delage

There is no human problem that the Lions cannot solve — this is the boast of Mr. A. A. Delage, representative of Lions International, who is now in Israel to organize branches of this community service organization here. Founder of the first Lions Clubs in Africa and Europe, which now have over 22,000 members, Mr. Delage says he is having trouble keeping the numerous applicants in check.

Like Rotary, the Lions organization through its 650,000 members in 105 countries engages in community service, specializing in help to the blind and conducts regular boxe, blood and eye banks, finds jobs for the handicapped, rehabilitates released prisoners and aids juvenile delinquents.

Coming from the south of France where he was busy organizing the 1962 Lions International Convention to take place in Nice, Mr. Delage anticipates 45,000 delegates will attend with another 150,000 persons coming to see what it's all about.

Avid Collector

A spry and energetic little man with a thousand and one tales of adventure in the countries he has visited since retiring from his drug business 14 years ago to devote himself to Lions work, Mr. Delage is also an avid collector. He has now bought a series of first-day covers and a collection of Israel stamps. He also collects coins, old books and diamonds. Among his most precious souvenirs is a watch that has 33 decorations or medals, most of them solid gold and inset with diamonds, attached to the watch chain.

Like Rotary, Lions members must represent some profession. "We would take a taxi driver, too," he said in answer to a question, "but he must be the best, and expert in one phase of his job, say traffic problems," he gave as an example. *D. L.*

Israel Arab Made Bishop in Greek Orthodox Church

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Israel Arab Archimandrite is to be appointed Bishop in Jordan, thus becoming the first Arab clergyman to occupy a position in the Greek Orthodox Church both in Israel and Jordan, the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate spokesman has announced in Jerusalem.

The appointment follows a reshuffle of the heads of the various Greek Orthodox parishes in Israel. Two clergymen and a nun have already arrived here from Jordan. They are Father Methodios Liverias, who is joining the Acre Monastery; Father Anthimos Theokharakis, and a nun, Maria Fassouletou, both of whom are entering the Mt. Tabor Monastery. Archimandrite Chrisanthos Limberis, the new Superior of the Jaffa Monastery, is expected to arrive this morning from the Old City to take up his new post.

The spokesman said that the newly-appointed Bishop, Simon Garfeh, an archimandrite, and superior of the Orthodox monasteries in Acre, Haifa and Western Galilee villages, is expected to leave Israel for Jordan some time next week when he will be consecrated as titular Bishop of Jerash, a town near Amman.

Born in a village near Ramallah in 1907, Archimandrite Simon is one of the few Arab priests who have attended a Greek school and knows Greek. He has been the superior of St. Georges Monastery in Lydda since Mandatory times and head of the Greek Orthodox Ecclesiastical Court in Acre and Haifa.

The appointment of an Arab clergyman in the Greek Orthodox Church of Jerusalem is the result of a compromise reached between the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Jerusalem and the Arab Orthodox community in Jordan, who have been pressing the Patriarchate for it.

The appointment of an Arab bishop became the subject of controversy between Greek and Arab Orthodox clerics in 1957, which was only resolved when the present Patriarch of Jerusalem, Benedictus I, was elected.

'Purge Greek Liturgy Of Anti-Semitism'

A request to eliminate all anti-Jewish passages from the Greek Orthodox liturgy was made last week in the Athens ecclesiastical journal, "Nea Zoi," (New Life), by the Greek theologian, Prof. Amilkas Alevizatos, of the University of Athens. The request is the first of its kind to be made by a prominent Greek theologian.

He urged that the emendations be made before this Easter, in line with those which are being made in the Roman Catholic liturgy at the suggestion of Pope John last year and those which have been and are still being made by various Protestant denominations.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
521, 298.4 & 249 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.55 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m. **English:** 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.48 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Suppe: Overture "Poet and Peasant"; Mozart: Concerto in G for Mandolinas; Chabrier: "Fête Polonaise"; Monti: "Chardas"; Dvorak: Ballet Music from "Rusaelka"; Rossini: Overture "Semiramis"; Ponchielli: "Dance of the Hours". 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.30 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 "The Suite" — Bach: Suite No. 1, played by the "Philharmonia" Orchestra, conducted by Otto Klemperer. 1.45 Where to Go? 2.00 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign Language Programme. 5.00 Request Programme for Oriental Music. 5.35 Mishna Lesson. 5.45 Children's Corner. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Popular Songs & Dances. 7.20 Hebrew Songs. 7.45 Daily Hebrew. 7.50 Sports. 7.59 Announcements on Kol Yisrael Programmes. 8.00 Entertainment Platform — ed. by Y. Arieh. 8.30 Bible Reading: Yirmiyahu Chaps. 37 & 38. 9.00 Political Commentary. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Arie da Cane — Musical Series ed. by M. Ohad & presented by L. Porath. 10.00 The Week at the Knesset. 10.30 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
490, 395, 422.5 & 33.1 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.45 Mif'al Hapayis Drawing. 6.15 Magrabit. 6.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 6.45 Polish. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Talk by Dr. Y. Even-Shmuel-Kaufmann. 8.45 Violin Recital by Peggy Heilman, at the Piano: Roman Waldmann: William Walton: 3 Pieces; Jean Martinon: Sonata for Unaccompanied Violin; Arthur Benjamin: Negro Spirituals. 9.00 Ladino. 9.30 Hungarian. 9.45 Rumanian. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
491 & 41.7 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m. 1.15-2.15, 5.30-11.15 p.m.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (12.3 M.): Programme to the U.S.: 10.30 News. 10.40 "Editorial Opinion." 10.50 Easy Hebrew Conversation.

Programme to South Africa: 4.15 News. 4.25 Editorial Opinion. 4.35 Afrikaans programme.

ARMY PROGRAMME (216, 225 and 235 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.05 Request Programme. 6.40 "Viva-Via." 6.55 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 "Bow & Arrow." 7.40 Songs. 8.00 "Army's Diary." 8.15 "Intermezzo." 8.30 Light Music Quiz. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Merry Rhythm." 9.30 Songs & Melodies from Films & Musical Shows. 10.00 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (30.26, 25.12, 19.76, 19.46 & 16.56 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Comment. Actualities.

MUSIC U.S.A.: VOICE OF AMERICA—English Programme: 5.00 and 6.00 a.m. News. UN in Action on 31 and 41 M. 7.00 a.m. News. Journalists' Digest on 31 and 41 M. 8.00 a.m. News. Raymond Swing Analysis. Report to Europe on 31, 41, 49 and 238 M. 9.00 and 10.00 a.m. News. Journalists' Digest on 13, 19 and 31 M. 3.00 p.m. News. Report to South Asia on 11, 19 and 19 M. 4.00 a.m. News. Raymond Swing Analysis. New Horizons in Science on 31, 13, 19, 25 and 31 M. 5.00 p.m. News. Raymond Swing Analysis. Report to Near East on 19, 25 and 31 M. 6.00 p.m. News. New Horizons in Science on 11, 19, 25, 31 and 41 M. 7.00 p.m. News. Report to Near East on 13, 19 and 25 M. 7.30 p.m. Listeners' Log on 13, 19 and 25 M. 8.00 p.m. News. Report to Africa on 19 and 25 M. 9.00 p.m. Forum (Chemistry) on 19 and 25 M. 9.00 and 10.00 p.m. Special News. Music USA on 19 and 25 M. 11.00 p.m. News. Raymond Swing Analysis. Commentators' Digest on 25, 31, 41 and 238 M. 11.30 p.m. Forum (Chemistry) on 25, 31, 41 and 238 M. 12.00 p.m. News. Raymond Swing Analysis. Commentators' Digest on 25, 31, 41 and 238 M.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE—English Programme (434 & 498 M.): News. 7.30 a.m. 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m.

7.45 a.m. The Coca Cola Programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.30 Popular Light Orchestra. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Emergency. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 Felix King. 10.30 B.B.C. Bandstand. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Teller of Tales. 12.00 Midday Melodies. 12.45 p.m. "The Name in Shade." 2.30 "Yours Sincerely." 6.45 The Cantilia Programme. 7.45 Strange Stories of the Sea. 8.15 Vera Lengyel (Piano). 10.00 Vanished Without Trace. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Danger Point.

Russia Leading In Winter Olympics

SQUAW VALLEY, California, (Reuter). — As the eighth Winter Olympics entered their sixth day here on Wednesday, the Soviet Union was leading in the gold medal race with four, compared to three won by Germany, and two each by Sweden and Switzerland.

France, Norway, Canada and the U.S. have one apiece.

Only two gold medals were down for decision yesterday, the men's 500-metres speed skating and the men's slalom. The first looked like providing the Russians with another gold medal. The second was as open as all the Alpine skiing events have been.

Advancement of Science Body Has 20 Groups

TEL AVIV. — The Council of the Association for the Advancement of Science has re-elected Prof. E. D. Bergman as Chairman of the Association and Dr. Ze'ev Rotem as its Hon. Secretary.

The new committee consists of: Dr. N. Sharon of the Chemical Society, Dr. K. Mandel of the Botanical Society, Dr. M. Rabin of the Mathematical Union, Dr. D. Ya'alon of the Geological Society, Prof. W. Silberstein of the Society of Clinical Pathology and Dr. D. Abir of the Society for Theoretical and Applied Mechanics.

Recently, the Association was joined by the Society of Aeronautical Sciences, the Zoological Society and the Israel Allergological Society, bringing the number of its constituent bodies to 20.

One of the Association's aims is to encourage Israel's industrialists and farmers to seek the aid of the scientist in solving their problems. It is also intended to attract the younger generation to a science career.

Dutch Missionary To Study at H.U.

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM (By Airmail). — The Rev. M. Boertien of the Dutch Christian Reformed Church — one of the smaller Protestant congregations in Holland — is to leave for Israel on March 6 to act as a missionary among the Jews. The Rev. Boertien, who studied in Amsterdam, worked for the past four years as a missionary among the Jews of Hamburg, on behalf of the Irish Episcopal Church.

He knows Hebrew well and intends to take his doctor's degree at the Hebrew University.

LYDDA FLIGHTS

THURSDAY

ARRIVALS: EI Al 102, from Johannesburg, Leopoldville and Kano — 0635. B.O.A.C. 203, from Teheran — 1345. Air France 429, from Teheran 1545. EI Al 410, from Istanbul — 1615. EI Al 804, from Nicosia — 2040. B.E.A. 129, from London, Zurich and Athens 2100. EI Al 906, from New York, London Paris and Rome — 2130. Air France 132, from Paris, Rome and Athens — 2200. Alitalia 450, from Rome — 2235. T.W.A. 802, from New York, Paris, Zurich, Milan, Rome and Athens—2345. Olympic 614, from Athens and Nicosia — 0050. EI Al 426, from Amsterdam — 1245. B.O.A.C. 07/07.

DEPARTURES: Swissair 321, to Athens and Zurich — 0700. EI Al 425, to Zurich and Amsterdam — 0800. Cyprus Airways 83, to Nicosia, Ankara, Istanbul, Rome and London — 0825. EI Al 409, to Istanbul — 0900. B.E.A. 127, to Athens, Rome and London — 0930. Sabena 558, to Athens, Vienna and Brussels — 0945. K.L.M. 658, to Rome and Amsterdam. Zurich and Athens 203, to Geneva and London 1345. Air France 139, to Rome and Paris — 1445. EI Al 803 to Nicosia — 1730.

Prepared by Civil Aviation Dept.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post, February 25, 1960

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Civil Appeals

Before the President (Justice Olshan), Justices Agranat and Witkon.

The Attorney-General, Appellant, v. Rachel Berkowitz, Respondent (C.A.283/59).

No Compensation for Civilian Worker Poisoned by Forbidden Army Food

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on June 30, 1960 (in C.C.2258/55).

Yitzhak Berkowitz was a civilian employed by the Army in a military camp. In accordance with the regulations he was not allowed to eat in the army canteens unless he had special permission to do so and unless he had provided himself with food coupons for which he paid either in cash or by way of deductions from his salary. He nevertheless occasionally ate free of charge in the camp canteen with the unauthorized permission of one of the sergeants in charge of the kitchen. On one such occasion the food served was contaminated and he, together with about a hundred soldiers, contracted ptomaine poisoning, from which he died three days later.

His widow, the respondent, sued the Army for damages in the Tel Aviv District Court. Judge Harpazi found that as the deceased had obtained the food in defiance of the military authorities' prohibition he was in the nature of a trespasser, and that *prima facie* the Army, therefore, owed him no duty, in accordance with the principles of English common law. He went on, however, to make a thorough and extensive survey of the law and found a solution more to his own liking, holding that section 50 of the Civil Wrongs Ordinance, which deals with negligence, does not distinguish between trespassers and non-trespassers, that the fact that section 2 of the Ordinance refers us to English principles of legal interpretation does not make the courts of Israel completely subject to the English common law, and that in any case in English law, too, the rule with regard to trespassers is not uniformly strict, recognizing occasions when even trespassers are entitled to damages. Judge Harpazi went on to enumerate such occasions, with particular emphasis on the instance when a duty to take care exists vis-a-vis a crowd of people whose presence in a place is foreseeable (as, for example, in a restaurant or in a public vehicle). In such a case, he held, the fact that one member of the crowd has failed to fulfil one of certain conditions (such as paying for a meal or for a ticket) this failure, having no connection whatsoever with his subsequent injury, would not relieve the wrongdoer of liability towards him.

He therefore found that, in the present case, although the deceased had been a trespasser, the Army nevertheless had a duty towards him and were liable for his death, which had resulted from their negligence.

The Attorney-General appealed against this decision to the Supreme Court.

Section 50 (2) of the Civil Wrongs Ordinance provides that: "... every person owes a duty to all persons whom... a reasonable person ought in the circumstances to have contemplated as likely in the usual course of things to be affected by the doing or failure to do any act or the failure to use proper skill or to take proper care...."

Dr. Eitan, Deputy State Attorney, appeared for the appellant and Mr. V. Hassan for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Witkon, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, the President and Justice Agranat concurring, dealt firstly with the question of whether recourse should be had to English law or not. It is true, he said, that section 50 of the Civil Wrongs Ordinance does not expressly refer to trespassers, but then neither does English statutory law differentiate between the three grades of injured persons, invitees, licensees and trespassers, this differentiation having its roots in the common law, as propounded by the English courts. He for his part, continued Justice Witkon, was also of the opinion that the courts of Israel were not indiscriminately bound by all the interpretations and precedents which issued from the courts of England, as such complete dependence would be inconsistent with the status of Israel as an independent sovereign state (see C.A.81/56, P.D.11/225). On the other hand, he continued, the reference to English principles of law in section 2 of the Ordinance cannot be completely ignored and the fact that the courts of Israel are not obliged to adopt the principles of English common law *holus bolus* should not be interpreted as meaning that some of the finest principles of the English common law should not be emulated (see also C.A. 394/54, P.D.12/421). Insofar as the distinction between various grades of injured persons is concerned, he continued, the courts of Israel have in fact accepted the English doctrine, as witness the judgment in C.A.59/55 (Pankim 25/137) and C.A. 234/51 (P.D.7/686), among many others.

Justice Witkon then went on to discuss Judge Harpazi's opinion that section 50(2) of the Ordinance imposes a duty to take care towards all persons, even trespassers, whom a reasonable person should have contemplated as likely to be affected. This interpretation, he said, places too much emphasis on the criterion of "foreseeability," without paying sufficient attention to the fact that the law specifies that the damage *ought* to have been foreseen by a reasonable person. In other words, he continued, there are certain classes of people whose likelihood of being affected might very well be foreseen, but, nevertheless, no reasonable person would be expected to take this eventuality into account; and of such are trespassers whose presence is unbeknown to the wrongdoer. In respect of such trespassers, the wrongdoer has no moral-social duty to contemplate any possible effects of his acts, constructive knowledge of their presence being insufficient (in contradistinction to the case of invitees and licensees) to make him liable for any harm they might suffer.

Any other approach to the question, he continued, would lead inevitably to absolute responsibility and he very much doubted whether this was either desirable or practicable, unless covered by national insurance.

Judge Harpazi, continued Justice Witkon, had not gone so far as to hold all trespassers entitled to compensation. But the distinctions he had drawn between one kind of trespasser and another could not stand the test of logic, as he proceeded to show. In short, held Justice Witkon, even when the injured trespasser is one of a crowd of persons entitled to have been in the place where the injury occurred — as in the case under consideration — his being a trespasser deprives him of any right to compensation. Nor is this conclusion an unjust one, he continued, for a trespasser would most certainly not be covered by any insurance which the wrongdoer might carry; and even if it were possible to insure against a risk of this nature the high premium would eventually be borne by those paying for the lawful use of the wrongdoer's services and not by the trespasser — which was hardly justifiable.

As to the argument that the deceased had not been a trespasser as he had been permitted to eat in the canteen by the sergeant in charge, the case under consideration, held Justice Witkon, must be distinguished from C.A. 119/54 (P.D. 10/156) as here the deceased had been well aware of the fact that the sergeants or officers in charge of the Army canteens were forbidden to allow civilian employees to eat in them unless they fulfilled the conditions laid down by the military authorities. As the deceased had not fulfilled these conditions he was a trespasser, despite the permission he had received from the sergeant.

In conclusion, Justice Witkon expressed regret at the fact that the *ex gratia* payment, which the Ministry of Defence had expressed their readiness to give the respondent in the event she lost the appeal, had not been deferred to her originally, so sparing her the lengthy litigation and the disappointment of losing her claim five years after the tragedy had occurred.

Appeal allowed without any costs.

Judgment given on February 8, 1960.

FILM. — Plans were announced in New York for filming a multi-million dollar Biblical spectacle in Jordan under evangelist Billy Graham's sponsorship and with a cast of 500,000, including all Arab refugees in Jordan. The picture will be "The Son of God."

IT'S THE LAW

PEOPLE in charge of children in Beersheba must prevent them from making a noise within 250 metres of a clinic, 400 metres of a hospital, and all over town between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

(Local Council By-Law).

Where to go

JERUSALEM

• **Tours:** — Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Ptrauss Health Centre.

Hebrew University: Conducted tour in English, at 12 noon, daily, New University Campus.

• **Exhibitions:** — Artists House: 10-1, 4-6. Paintings by Shmuel Schlesinger; Miriam Bartov, Collage paintings by Ella Raayoni; Last day. Safrai Art Gallery, 97 Jaffa Road, Tel. 63737. Est. 1935. 8-1, 3-7. Friday 8-2. New exhibition: Oils by Lillian Lavy. All purchases mailed upon request.

• **Bezalel National Museum:** — Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art; Archaeological objects. Primitive Art. Contemporary Japanese prints and posters. Dutch paintings from the Museum's collection. 9-1 2.30-5.

Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Special exhibitions: New excavations at Beersheba and Eyzan. Also permanent exhibition. 9-1, 3-5.

• **Zoo:** — Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 9-6.

TEL AVIV

• **Haifan Puppet Theatre:** — Piccoli, return season. New Programme. Peer Cinema, 4, 5.30.

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• **Kol Yisrael:** — Open 9 a.m.—3 p.m. daily.

• **Exhibitions:** — Modern Art in Israel. Painters and Sculptors Association, Hamelin House, 10-1, 4-7. Annual Exhibition of Israel Artists, Suit Discount, 12 Rothschild Blvd., 10-1, 6-7. African Primitive Art: miniature masks, implements, from collection of Mr. Sam Dresner (over 150 exhibits). Ethnos Municipal Pavilion, 10-1, 4-7.

Ancient Glass Exhibition, Museum Ha'aretz, near Ramat Aviv, 10-5.

• **Z.O.A. House:** — Documentary Films, 7 p.m. Tourist Service, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

HAIFA

• **Tourist Centre:** — Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehalutz. Tel. 67805.

• **Exhibitions:** — Paintings by Shmuel Rayoni, Israel Painters & Sculptors Association, 24 UNO Avenue, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Theatre:** — Ohel: "One More River", Arnon, 9.

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GIVATAYIM

• **Theatre:** — Habimah: "The Trees Die Standing", Hadar, 8.30.

PETAH TIKVA

• **Yiddish Musical:** — "My Gal" — Bension Wider, Shifra Lerer, 8.45.

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Cables in Brief

RICE. — Nationalist China and Japan have agreed on the purchase by Japan of 150,000 tons of rice from Formosa for the 1960 fiscal year.

AID. — The Yugoslav Government will grant goods worth 30m. dinars (about $80,000) as aid to the Algerian refugees in Tunisia and Morocco.

ACQUITTED. — Mohammed Ayub Khan, a former Pakistan Defence Minister, was acquitted by an anti-corruption court at Dadu 93nd of a charge of cheating the Government. He was alleged to have obtained a permit to purchase a car by misrepresentation, thus evading import restrictions.

DIVORCE. — Aviation Minister Duncan Sandys is suing his wife Diana — Sir Winston Churchill's eldest daughter — for divorce. Sandys' petition appeared in the latest list of undefended cases for hearing in London. They were married in 1935 and have one son and two daughters.

SONG. — A new song, "The Ballad of Caryl Chessman," was introduced at Stanford University where 200 students met to debate capital punishment. The song will be the theme for a new corporation called "People Against Capital Punishment, Inc.," which is headed by Attorney George T. Davis, counsel for the convict-author, temporarily reprieved from the gas chamber last Friday.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

ARMON: The Captain's Table.
EDEN: The Best Caravan.
ORION: Le roi grisel (Hassle to Cassel).
OR-OSH: The Hound of the Baskervilles.
ORNA: The Best of Everything.
RON: Room at the Top. (Evenings).
SEMADAR: Fortunella. (Evenings).
ZION HALL: Destiny of a Man.
TEL OR: Manequins de Paris.
EDISON: Asotin Mama.
STUDIO: Last Holiday.

TEL AVIV

ALLENBY: The Volga Boatmen.
ARMON DAVID: Asotin Mama.
CHEN: The Defiant Ones.
EDEN: Forced Wedding.
ESTHER: North by North-West.
GAT: Les quatres cents coups.
HOD: La Jeunesse.
MAXIM: Love and Sacrifice.
MIGDALOR: The World, the Flesh, and the Devil.
MOGRABI: Babette goes to War.
OPHIR: Nuits d'Europe.
ORION: Le feu au mer.
PEER: Pincail (return season).
SHDEROTH: La Violeteres.
TAMAR: Le rouge est mis.
TCHELET: Gigi.
TEL AVIV: Beloved Infidel.
YARON: Man in the Shadow.
ZAMIR: Rhodes, mon Amour.
ZAFON: I Want to live.

HAIFA

ARMON: Rise chez les femmes.
EN DOR: King of the Khyber Rifles.
ORLY: Separate Tables. (Evenings).
ORAH: La fille de Hambourg.
AMPHITHEATRE: The Remarkable Mr. Pennypacker.
ATZMON: Pot Bouille.
MIRON: Carry on, Sergeant.
MORIAH: Operation Madball.
GAL OR: A Face in the Crowd.
PEER: Modest Isla.
TAMAR: Breakthrough.
ORION: Just My Luck.
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Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy in the morning with possible light rains mainly in the North.

Weather Situation: A cold front from Turkey to Egypt will pass the Levant coast before noon.

	°A	B	C
Mt. Case'an	46	8—10	8—12
Tiberias	52	12—20	12—22
Haifa Port	58	11—20	12—19
Natanya	64	8—21	9—20
Tel Aviv Kiryа	68	9—20	9—20
Tel Aviv Port	72	10—19	10—19
Lydda Airport	59	4—21	6—20
Jerusalem	49	10—20	9—15
Beersheba	45	6—22	7—21
Sdom	—	14—	15—22
Eilat	26	13—27	13—26

A) Humidity at 9 p.m. B) Temperature range till yesterday evening. C) Temperature range forecast for last night and today.

ARRIVALS

Prof. Yehoshua Prawer, head of the History Department of the Hebrew University, after attending a preparatory meeting for a conference of intellectuals from Mediterranean lands, in Florence.

DEPARTURES

Mr. Yosef Almogi, M.K., Secretary-General of Mapai, for London and Paris, to attend the meeting of the Bureau of the Socialist International and to address conventions of labour Zionist organizations (by Air France).

Mr. Uri Nedivi, Deputy-Director of the Economic Division of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, at the head of a delegation including representatives of the Ministries of Finance and Commerce and Industry, for Helsinki, to sign the renewed Israeli-Finnish commercial agreement (by El Al).

Mr. Fred Menosson, of Boston, after a week's visit (by Air France).

THE OFFICES of the Migdal Insurance Company in Haifa were transferred to Bet Migdal, 27 Rehov Herzl, on Wednesday. The building was acquired by the firm several years ago.

$83,000 in U.S. Research Grants

Research grants totalling $83,000 awarded to Israel scientists by U.S. sources were reported by the Hebrew University and the Institute of Applied Social Research yesterday. For the development and application of the new theory of facets of Professor Louis Guttman (Scientific Director of the Institute), with special emphasis on behaviour of social groups, the Air Research and Development Command of the U.S. Air Forces has granted $54,000.

Dr. J. Shanon, of the Hadassah University Hospital, and Prof. A. Brzezinski, of the Department of Gynaecology in the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, have been awarded a grant of over $29,000 by the U.S. National Institutes of Health for psychiatric-gynaecological studies.

U.S. Travel Agents End Study Tour

TEL AVIV.—Representatives of a number of major American travel agencies were the guests of Swissair at a dinner given in the Ramat Aviv hotel last night. The group is leaving Israel today at the end of a four-day study trip. They are:

Mr. Tom Broderick, Transmarine Tours, New York; Mr. Richard Smith, California State Automobile Club, San Francisco; Mr. Fred Lavigne and Mrs. Patsy Lavigne, Gibson Travel, Los Angeles; Mr. Norbert McGettigan, McGettigan Travel, Philadelphia; Mr. Burns Nell, World Wide Travel, Gastonia, N.C.; Mr. Michael Provan, Waters Travel Service, Washington, D.C.; Mr. James Clancy, Travel Inc., East Orange, N.J.; Mr. Thomas E. Kissling, H.C.W.C. News Service, Washington, D.C.; Mr. Henry L. Mills, radio and television commentator, New York.

Estate Broker J. Frank Dies in Haifa at 60

HAIFA. — The death took place here on Tuesday night of Just Frank, a prominent real estate broker, at the age of 60. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon, and was attended by numerous friends. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter.

Frank was born in Germany, graduated as a mechanical engineer and in addition worked as a court reporter for the press. Later, he joined the staff of the Czech Skoda works and was their resident engineer in the Lebanon for 20 years, where he erected a large number of factories. Skoda later sent him to Persia for the same purpose.

He came to this country in 1946 and for some time represented British engineering companies. He turned to the real estate business eight years ago.

We regret to announce the death of the head of our family

JUST FRANK M.I.

after a short illness.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, February 24, 1960, in Haifa.

Please refrain from condolence calls.

THE BEREAVED FAMILY

In deep grief we announce the death of our dear mother and grandmother

Pessia Deborah Knoll

daughter of Rabbi Jacob Milhauser of Caracas, Venezuela.

The funeral will pass by the Beit Shimon Synagogue at 37 Rehov Yona Hanavi, Tel Aviv, today, Thursday, February 25, 1960 (7 Adar, 5720) at 9 a.m. and will continue from there on its way to Jerusalem. The funeral will pass by the Great Synagogue in Kiryat Moshe (Mea Shearim), at 12 noon, on its way to Har Hamenuhot.

The Bereaved:

Her Sons, Daughters, Daughters-in-Law, Grandchildren and the entire family in Israel and abroad.

Bus Fares to Rise 12.5-16.4%, But Increases Not Uniform

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Bus fares are going up by an average of from 12.5 per cent (on inter-urban routes) to 16.4 (urban lines), as from March 1. But the rises will not be standard. In some places the fares will remain unchanged. In others, such as border areas, they will actually go down, a press conference in Jerusalem was told yesterday by Mr. P. Ginsburg, Director-General of the Ministry of Transport, and by Mr. M. Barr, Controller of Road Transport.

It was explained that the last rise in bus fares was granted in September 1958. Losses incurred in the following years by the bus cooperatives were covered by Government subsidies. It was recently decided to cancel the subsidies as of January 1,—10 per cent on inter-urban and 15 per cent on urban routes—and to raise bus fares. But the fare rises were postponed to March 1. To cover the losses of January and February, it was decided to grant an additional fare rise of 1.4 per cent to the Dan company in Tel Aviv and of 2.5 per cent to the Egged company. These additional rises will remain in effect for a period of 22 months.

Hamekasher Line

For the Hamekasher Co. in Jerusalem, the Government decided to allow an increase of 18 per cent because of the smaller number of lines and passengers, but the fares themselves will go up by only 10 per cent, with the Government covering the rest by subsidies.

Fares on suburban lines as well as those serving border settlements will either rise at a below-average rate, or remain unchanged, or even be reduced.

Another principle guiding the Ministry was to reduce the number of different prices. Thus Egged, which now has 250 different fares, will have only 75. This is intended to make for speedier service and to facilitate the controls exercised both by the Government and the managements of the cooperatives.

Commuter tickets valid for one month and giving a 25 per cent reduction will be introduced on an experimental basis on all lines where fares do not exceed 25 agorot. This policy will be reconsidered after the three-month trial period.

Bus companies may continue to sell tickets valid for more than one month at a reduction of 12.5 per cent.

JERUSALEM:—

Most tickets will go up by one agoro. But prices on the following lines will remain unchanged: No.4 to Mekor Hayim; No.6 to Talpiot; No.18, the "student bus" to the Hebrew University; No.14 to Givat Shaul; No. 10 to Ein Karem; and No.30 to Ir Ganim. Fare on the No.31 bus to Mevasseret Yerushalayim will go down by one agoro.

HAIFA:—

Fares on buses serving the centre of the city will go up from the present agoro to nine agorot. On some lines, the fare will go up by only one agoro, such as Hadar-Neve Sha'anan (from 11 to 10 agorot) and the line to Kiryat Shmuel (23 to 24). Fares will remain unchanged on the Hadar-Mahane David and Hadar-Bin Nayam lines. Bus travel to the suburbs (Krayot) will be raised to 22 agorot from the present 19. To Bat Galim, the fare will go down to 11 agorot from the present 12.

CARMELITE — fare will go up by two agorot.

TEL AVIV:—

Fares on the main routes through the city, such as 1, 4, 5 and 13 are going up to 10 agorot, from the present eight or nine agorot. Nine agorot fare will be introduced on routes 7, 12, and 19. To Ramat Aviv, the fare will remain 10 agorot and to the Yarkon suburbs it will remain 17 agorot.

In Jaffa, the fare will be nine agorot in place of the present seven or eight. Fares to Tel Baruch, Zahala and Ramat Yosef — up to now 13 or 15 agorot — have been fixed at 14 agorot.

INTER-URBAN LINES:—

Tel Aviv-Jerusalem, IL3.45 (in place of the present IL3.37); Tel Aviv-Haifa, IL1.85 (IL1.62); Tel Aviv-Beersheba, IL2.90 (IL2.62); Jerusalem-Haifa, IL3.90 (IL3.62); Jerusalem-Beersheba, IL2.90 (IL2.65).

Child Chokes To Death on Crust

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — A two-year-old child, Halim Kabbi, suffocated to death here on Tuesday night after choking over his supper.

His parents rushed him by bus from their home in Shikun Dalet to the Magen David Adom station, but by the time they got there, an hour later, the boy was almost lifeless.

He died on the way to hospital. A post mortem showed that he choked on a piece of bread, lodged in his throat.

'No Return To Bus Subsidies'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "We will not reinstitute Government subsidies for the bus cooperatives. They now have to stand on their own feet and to realise that they are a public service," the Minister of Transport, Mr. Y. Ben-Aharon declared on Wednesday. He was addressing a "Public Transport Day" gathering at Beit Sokolow, organised by the Dan Bus Company.

Mr. Ben-Aharon said his Ministry would transfer the entire question of the cost of bus transport to an authorized body for scientific study. The new fares would be in effect until January 1, 1961.

Mr. Ben-Aharon said his Ministry would prepare a draft law which would make public transport national property, as in the case of land. A concession would then be granted to the cooperatives to run public bus transport, as the cooperatives were best suited for this job.

He expressed his support for bringing the number of Dan cooperative members to 2,000 within a few months, which would make some 700 hired workers into full members. He criticised the cooperative for not doing enough to raise the efficiency of bus drivers and managers.

Earlier, the Mayor of Petah Tikva, Mr. P. Rashish, made a strong attack on the cooperatives and the Ministry for not informing the local authorities of the fare increases. "This shows lack of respect for the travelling public and its elected representatives and we will not accept changes in bus fares as a fait accompli," Mr. Rashish declared.

Mr. Arie Masor, of the Dan management, warned that it was highly doubtful whether bus fares could remain stable with the constantly increasing prices of spares, tires and other items. Dan needed 1,000 buses instead of the 630 it now ran. The company also wanted to operate one, or at most two types of buses.

CARMELIT CLOSED FOR REPAIRS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Traffic in the Carmelit subway was suspended early on Wednesday, following a failure of the automatic brakes. The Town Hall spokesman stated that the subway will be closed until further notice.

It is expected that the repairs will be completed shortly.

'Copter Collects First Day Covers

ASHKELON. — Alisa, the Arkia helicopter, made history here yesterday morning by dropping in at the Dagon Hotel on a small landing ground specially prepared for the occasion.

The helicopter was commissioned by Mr. Gustav Weichelberg, Chairman of the Israel Philatelists Association, to collect 500 duly stamped and franked first-day covers bearing the new airmail stamp, depicting an Ashkelon scene, issued by the post office yesterday.

From Ashkelon, the helicopter flew on to Tiberias and Safad to pick up similar first-day covers there.

Four hundred Ashkelon schoolchildren who turned out for the occasion raised a triumphant cheer when the helicopter appeared from the north, only to see it disappear south of the town. When it returned subsequently, the pilot, Mr. R. Fumat, of France, explained that he had missed Ashkelon entirely and had stopped suddenly at the border when he saw U.N.E.F. flags, tents and vehicles below him.

2 Hurt, Escape Death As Flat Collapses

TEL AVIV. — An aged couple, Mr. and Mrs. Shua Semmor, were taken to the Hadassah Hospital here yesterday afternoon after they and their first-storey flat at 18 Rehov Shabazi fell into the carpentry shop below.

The owner of the shop, his son and an employee were saved from certain death thanks to the employee's quick reflexes. When he saw a wall of the shop buckle inwardly after a chunk of plaster had fallen on him from the ceiling he pushed the other two men into the street and leaped after them just before the limestone ceiling collapsed.

Summoned by neighbours, a Magen David Adom ambulance, the Fire Brigade and police arrived within minutes. Mr. Semmor, 70, was immediately taken to the hospital, where he was found to have a broken arm. Firemen had to work for about half an hour to extricate Mrs. Semmor from under the stout beams and limestone rocks which covered part of her body. The condition of the couple was last night reported to be satisfactory.

Municipal workers are to demolish the rest of the tottering building today.

"I'm still alive only thanks to prayer," Mr. Semmor told the Post reporter at the hospital. He had been sitting on his bed saying his prayers when the collapse occurred.

Agents Protest Travel Tax Rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.— Telegrams protesting against the increase in the travel tax — from 40 to 55 per cent — were sent by the Travel and Tourist Association yesterday to the Ministers of Finance and Transport and the members of the Knesset Finance Committee.

Declaring that the tax increase was a blow to travel and individual liberty, the Association called for renewed debate on the question in the Finance Committee.

Some 60 members of the Association are to meet today to discuss measures to be taken against the tax rise. One proposal that has received widespread support is to close down travel agencies for several days.

The increase also took airline representatives completely by surprise. The Panel of Foreign Airlines had expected a reduction in the travel tax following recent negotiations with the Ministry of Finance, a Panel spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post*. "The new tax has hit us like a bombshell," he said, adding that the question would be brought to the attention of the Taxation Sub-Committee of the International Air Transport Association.

He said the Panel will not participate in today's meeting of travel agents.

The consensus of agents and airline representatives contacted by *The Jerusalem Post* was that the increase would not stop Israelis from travelling abroad, but many thought it would lead to a sharp increase in black-market foreign currency dealings. It was thought that Israelis would locally book passage only to Nicosia or Athens, where—with illegally acquired foreign currency — they would buy tickets to continue their journeys.

The prices of all organized tours abroad rise as from this morning.

Progressives Divided Over Tax Increases

Differences of opinion over the new tax increases arose at a meeting of the Progressive Party Executive in Tel Aviv last night. Mr. Moshe Kol, Chairman of the Executive, and Mr. Yehuda Sha'ari, member of the Histadrut Central Committee, among others, opposed the rises as a blow to economic stability which was liable to trigger an inflationary chain reaction.

Knesset Members I. Cohen and Y. Harari replied by explaining that unforeseen budgetary demands had arisen due to arms acquisition, drought losses, and the increased benefits paid to disabled victims of Nazi atrocities.

Herut Asks Recall Of Petah Tikva Budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter

PETAH TIKVA. — Charging that the Municipal Budget for 1960-61 was not sufficiently detailed, the Herut faction in the Petah Tikva Municipal Council yesterday called on the Minister of the Interior to order Mayor Pinhas Rashish to submit the budget for reconsideration to the Municipal Finance Committee.

Would-Be Converts Drop Plan After Finding Jobs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The heads of 10 families from Afula who had recently declared their intention to convert their families to Christianity as a step towards obtaining aid to emigrate dropped their plan after acceptable employment had been found for them by the local rabbi. The rabbi of Afula and District, Rabbi A. Kerstein, this week informed the Chief Rabbinate that the persons concerned had called on him soon after they had lost their jobs at the local sugar refinery and "threatened that they would convert."

Rabbi Kerstein arranged relief work for them through the local council, but this was turned down. They dropped their threat when Rabbi Kerstein found them alternative jobs.

Prize-Winner Retired Agent

Histadrut Labour Prizes Awarded

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Fifteen individuals and five teams of agricultural and industrial workers were awarded the Histadrut Labour Prize at Beit Hassin here last night for having distinguished themselves by initiative, inventiveness, high productivity or efficiency in their work. They were chosen from among 87 candidates.

Among the throng that packed the small hall of Beit Hassin were a group of Arab workers who came to pay tribute to their colleagues of the Jordan-Negev team of Jewish, Arab and Druse workers. This team was awarded a collective prize for carrying out highly complicated diagonal drilling operations in the laying of the National Water Project pipeline.

Each prize winner was called to the stage to receive his or her IL.250 prize—IL.500 for teams—and certificate of merit. The Minister of Labour, Dr. Giora Josephthal, Mrs. Senta Josephthal, Mr. Beri Repetur, of the Histadrut Central Committee, and Mr. Shmuel Cohen, of the Histadrut Trade Unions Department, were present. The Chairman of the Department, Mr. Aharon Becker, presided.

Spontaneous Applause

The audience spontaneously rose to its feet to applaud a group of five workers who have been employed at the Rishon Lezion wine cellars for over 50 years. The members of the group range in age from 70 to 84. The audience also cheered when one of the men, after receiving his prize, leaped off the stage in a display of youthful agility.

Miss Hanna Ezra, of Kiryat Shmona, who is the country's champion cotton picker, was applauded when she mounted the stage to receive her prize for having attained a record of 237 kilograms of cotton per 8-hour day. Among the other prize winners were Mr. Avraham Bar Hon, of Degania Aleph, who has cultivated the settlement's banana plantations for the last 30 years; Mr. Rafael Agasi, a welder employed by the military industry, who developed a revolutionary welding process; and Miss Hemda Galili, a nurse at the Rambam Hospital in Haifa, who designed new urological instruments.

The ceremony was closed with an address by Dr. Josephthal.

Sharett Among Four Sokolow Prize-Winners

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., was among the four recipients of the Sokolow Prize for Journalism which were yesterday presented by Mayor Mordecai Namir at Beit Sokolow here.

The other prize winners were: Messrs. Haim Shurer, the editor of "Davar"; David Lazar, an editor of "Ma'ariv"; and Uri Kesery, the "Ha'aretz" columnist.

The jury comprised Prof. Yisrael Eitzi, Dr. Binyamin Eliav and Messrs. Yosef Arieha, Pinhas Lander and Avraham Shaanan.

The ceremony which took place on the 100th anniversary of the birth of Nahum Sokolow was opened by Dr. Lazar. The prize amounts to IL2,000, which is divided equally among the recipients.

Mr. Sharett is leaving this morning (Thursday) for Canada and Mexico.

Child Rescued from Cesspit

TEL AVIV. — A three-year-old boy who fell into a cesspit yesterday was rescued by a 27-year-old worker from the Sahar machine who struggled for over an hour to squeeze himself down the narrow five-metre deep pit.

The child, Shmuel Shimoni, was playing near his home when he went over to examine the cesspit which is no longer in use as the district is now connected to the sewerage system. He managed to remove the cover and when he peeped down he lost his balance and fell in.

A neighbour saw the child fall and immediately called the police and the fire brigade. It soon became clear that it would not be easy to reach the boy as the pit is no more than half-a-metre in diameter in some places.

The job called for a slim man, and none of the policemen or firemen fitted the bill. A worker in the vicinity, Mr. Tzvi Weinmann, then volunteered.

He was lowered into the pit feet first, but after repeated attempts still could not reach the boy. He was then lowered head first, but even this manoeuvre had to be repeated several times. After a determined struggle for over an hour, Mr. Weinmann succeeded in reaching the child and rolling him in his arms.

The child was unharmed, but his worry turned into bleeding from deep gashes all over his body. Mr. Weinmann looked on with great satisfaction as the happy parents hugged their child.

The Israel National Petroleum Co. Ltd.

INVITATION TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Company hereby invites all members to the first Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday, March 3, 1960, at 11 a.m. at the registered office of the Company, 48 Rehov Rabbi Binyamin, Tel Aviv.

Personal invitations, together with the agenda, Directors' Report and the Company Balance Sheet, will be forwarded to members by mail.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tenant Ownership Bill Defeated

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Knesset yesterday rejected, by 52 votes to seven, a draft bill presented by Mr. Salman Abramov (G.E.), calling for the grant of full ownership rights to tenants in public housing projects.

Opposing the bill, the Minister of Labour, Dr. Giora Josephthal, explained that there have been no ownership limitations since 1958 with regard to housing projects financed with the Government's assistance. Up to 1958, however, the various public housing companies leased the land from the J.N.F. Many of the plots in question were adjacent to the large cities, he said.

But limitations of ownership rights — arising from arrangements made during the initial years of the State — were now being corrected, Dr. Josephthal stressed. Only six weeks ago, the Ministerial Economic Committee decided that each tenant could purchase the land on which his apartment is built.

The Knesset also decided to refer to the Labour Committee four identical motions for the agenda calling for the payment of equal wages to men and women for equal work. The draft bills were sponsored by Mrs. Rivka Talmi (Mapai), Mrs. Sofy Meisels (Mapai), Mr. Mordechai Bibi (Ahdut Ha'avoda) and Mrs. Tova Sadeh-Zevi (National Religious). Although not opposing their passage to committee, Dr. Josephthal warned against exaggerating the problem. Women accounted for only 30 per cent of the labour force, he noted, adding that 60 per cent of workers would already receive wages equal to those of men.

Ministry Approves Dan Land Expropriation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ministry of the Interior has given its sanction to the expropriation of 330 dunams of land—half of which is privately owned — north of the Yarkon River by the Dan Sewerage Authority for its sewage clearance project.

The Jerusalem Post learned this yesterday from Mr. S. Shoshani, Chairman of the Authority, who said he had been so informed by the Minister, Mr. Moshe H. Shapira.

Mr. Shoshani said the Ministry of Finance will have to provide the funds to compensate the present owners of the land. He said the project should be completed by 1970, at a cost of IL40-50m.

Under the project, all the sewage of the Dan Region will be brought to a purification plant near the Reading Power Station at the mouth of the Yarkon. From there, the purified water will be channelled to the Negev for irrigation.

Missing Gems Said Stolen in Teheran

TEL AVIV. — $70,000 worth of diamonds which were stolen from a B.O.A.C. plane on its way to Hong Kong a month ago are believed to have been stolen in Teheran. This was reported here on Wednesday following investigations by the British Lloyds insurance company in the Far East.

Mr. I. Schoenfeld was appointed by Lloyds to conduct the Israel end of the inquiry.

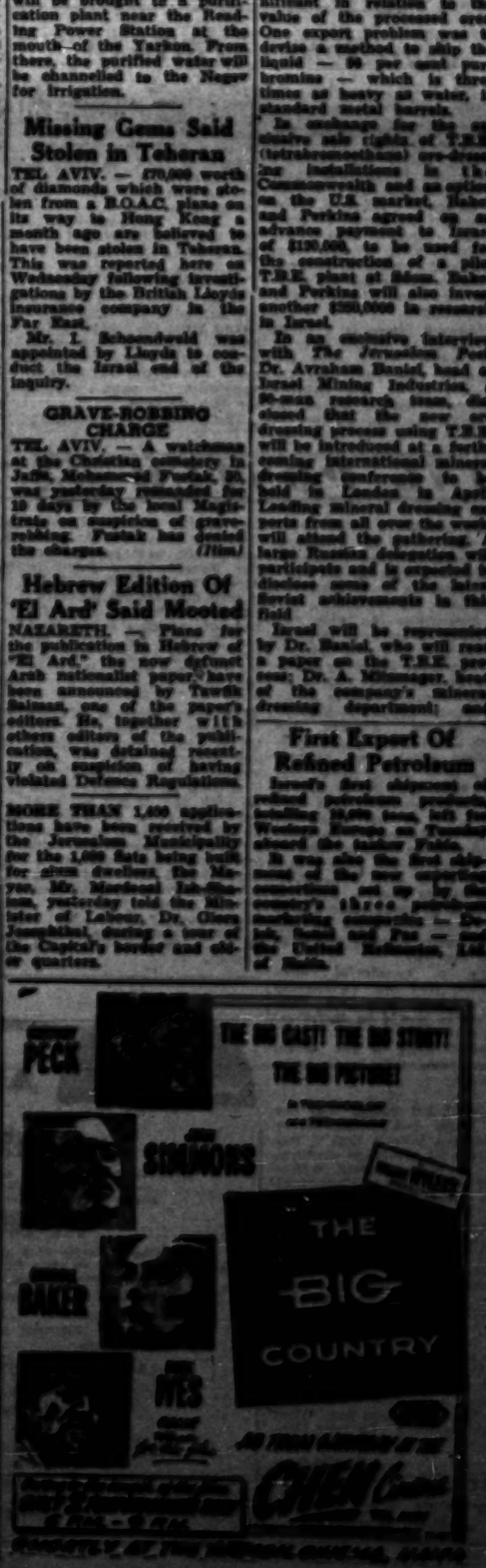
GRAVE-ROBBING CHARGE

TEL AVIV. — A watchman at the Christian cemetery in Jaffa, Mohammed Fustok, 50, was yesterday remanded for 10 days by the local Magistrate on suspicion of grave-robbing. Fustok has denied the charges. (Film)

Hebrew Edition Of 'El Ard' Said Mooted

NAZARETH. — Plans for the publication in Hebrew of "El Ard," the now defunct Arab nationalist paper, have been announced by Tawfik Saiman, one of the paper's editors. He, together with other editors of the publication, was detained recently on suspicion of having violated Defence Regulations.

MORE THAN 1,400 applications have been received by the Jerusalem Municipality for the 1,600 flats being built for slum dwellers, Eli Mayer, Mr. Mordechai Ish-Shalom, yesterday told the Minister of Labour, Dr. Giora Josephthal, during a tour of the Capital's border and older quarters.



INDUSTRY FINANCE and COMMERCE

Israel Sells Rights to 2 New Chemical Engineering Processes

By EHUD SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—Two new chemical engineering processes, reportedly of international significance, have been invented by the research staff of the Israel Mining Industries company (Makhteshei Israel), and rights to them were sold to two foreign concerns last month. This was disclosed at a press conference held here on Wednesday by representatives of the Ministry of Development and of the company.

The processes, involving the production of tetrabromoethane and phosphoric acid, may, according to expert estimates, give Israel a new multi-million dollar source of income. The processes are based on the stepped-up exploitation of the mineral riches of the Dead Sea.

Toyo Soda Manufacturers Co., of Tokyo, were the first customers for the phosphoric acid process, which uses hydrochloric acid as a raw material. The Japanese bought non-exclusive rights for a round sum of $200,000. Israel Mining Industries will provide all the essential data and assistance, for erecting the first Japanese plant. The latest pilot plant will be set up shortly at Sdom.

Mr. Eliezer Bodenkin, General Manager of Israel Mining Industries, believes that several other Japanese companies will also shortly request process rights. The new method has aroused widespread interest, Mr. Bodenkin said, in view of the world shortage of phosphoric acid. He added that the Toyo Soda Company bought the process for a lower price than would be usual since it was the first customer for it.

The second process, concerning tetrabromoethane production, also involves a new and revolutionary technique in the field of ore and mineral dressing. This process was brought by the British firm of Baker and Perkins, who engaged the services of Mr. A.W.F. Fotching, former chief of the Harwell atomic laboratory, to supervise the new method.

The tetrabromoethane process will find widespread use in the exploitation of low-grade ores and its application to standard ores is an improvement over the most efficient dressing methods so far known.

Supplied from Israel

All the tetrabromoethane needed in the process will be supplied from Israel under the company's exclusive patented method. Israel Mining Industries will guarantee a steady supply, at rates insignificant in relation to the value of the processed ores. One expert problem was to devise a method to ship the liquid — 99 per cent pure bromine — which is three times as heavy as water, in standard metal barrels.

In exchange for the exclusive sale rights of T.B.E. (tetrabromoethane) ore-dressing installations in the Commonwealth and an option on the U.S. market, Baker and Perkins agreed on an advance payment to Israel of $120,000, to be used for the construction of a pilot T.B.E. plant at Sdom. Baker and Perkins will also invest another $250,000 in research in Israel.

In an exclusive interview with *The Jerusalem Post*, Dr. Avraham Baniel, head of Israel Mining Industries, a 90-man research team, disclosed that the new ore dressing process using T.B.E. will be introduced at a forthcoming international mineral dressing conference to be held in London in April. Leading mineral dressing experts from all over the world will attend the gathering. A large Russian delegation will participate and is expected to disclose some of the latest Soviet achievements in this field.

Israel will be represented by Dr. Baniel, who will read a paper on the T.B.E. process; Dr. A. Mitzmager, Head of the company's mineral dressing department; and Mr. Shlomo Levy, chief of the engineering department.

Mr. Levy's participation is considered of particular importance since he will be responsible for the technical details of the future plants.

Israel Mining Industries has received numerous queries from all over the world, including requests for process rights. If the present queries mature into orders the Dead Sea Works will be called upon to supply more chemicals than they are capable of producing at present, Dr. Baniel concluded.

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WORLD politics today are in such a confusing state of flux, that it needs exceptional powers of discernment to make out even the general drift — that probably is the correct term — of events. In this context, it would seem that the tours now being made by President Eisenhower and Mr. Khrushchev in South America and the Far East respectively, are worthy of much closer attention than has hitherto been paid to them.

VERBAL WAR

One little-noticed aspect of these travels by the heads of the two greatest rival Powers on earth is that they fulfil a desire often expressed by humble folk the world over. Ever since we can remember, ordinary people have protested that all they wish is to be left to live in peace and that if the powers-that-be are bent on struggles for supremacy, then it behoves the leaders to go out and fight their battles themselves while the rest of us stay quietly at home.

This is precisely what is now happening and, what is more, the mighty ones are not even coming to blows, but are waging their duels verbally. The objective remains what it has always been in power politics: the victory of one set of material and spiritual values over another. Since this can no longer be achieved through large-scale warfare, which would be the end of all civilization, other methods have to be discovered.

The two camps have apparently agreed what procedure to follow. Each will strive, by all means short of nuclear weapons, to gain for itself the active sympathy of the underdeveloped and, politically, more or less uncommitted nations. Thus strengthened, either the democratic or the Communist bloc will tip the balance in its favour and thus ultimately emerge the winner.

Accordingly, Mr. Khrushchev in the Far East has seen fit to vociferate against the "sinister imperialistic designs" of the West. At the same time, in Brazil, President Eisenhower has deemed it necessary to revive the Monroe Doctrine. In more specific terms, his warning is clearly directed to the new Cuba, where Mr. Mikoyan has been parleying with President Fidel Castro and where the spread of Communist influence would be regarded by the United States as sufficient cause for intervention in that country's affairs.

On the face of it, we are all back where we were a little while ago — in the cold war. The one difference — and it may or may not prove decisive — is that East and West are on the eve of a summit conference. This meeting will have to meet at least two minimum requirements. The first is the adoption of measures that will render an atomic conflict absolutely impossible. The second is the establishment of a **modus vivendi** to ensure that "peaceful competitive coexistence" will be pursued in a reasonably peaceful manner and will not deteriorate into a rat race where nerves and passions will be so exacerbated that there will always be the danger of "little wars" which in turn may, willy-nilly, develop into acts of mass suicide.

It may be that President Eisenhower's reassertion of the Monroe Doctrine foreshadows American acceptance of the Russian thesis — the sincerity of which has yet to be tested — that East and West should clearly define their respective zones of influence, in order that both sides can avoid meddling with the other's legitimate interests. If such an arrangement were entered into, there would remain wide buffer zones where the balance of power would have to be maintained.

In the vital Middle East, Mr. Ben-Gurion has said he would like to see general disarmament. Our neighbours have not responded. Soviet Russia has continued to pour arms into the Arab countries. The United States does not seem willing to send essential supplies to the only democracy in the region, Israel. This is a fatally mistaken policy which needs to be righted, and without delay.

Mr. K. in Asia Lashes the West

Caustic Foretaste of 'Peaceful Competitive Coexistence'

By CYRIL DUNN

CALCUTTA (OFNS).—NOW we know why Mr. Khrushchev came to India. His purpose was ceremonially to open the new era of "peaceful competitive coexistence" in a world disarmed or determined never to fight. And Mr. Khrushchev made it abundantly clear that under this new non-military arrangement the Soviet Union will wrestle by all other means open to it for the allegiance of India, and of every other underdeveloped nation in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

In a series of half a dozen speeches, shaped into the heaviest of blunt instruments, the Soviet Premier proved beyond all doubt that the coming conflict, though unarmed, will not be at all amiable. His attack on the West as a source of economic aid, techniques and political ideas was continuous and continuously disagreeable. India, he said, was a poor and backward nation because Great Britain had imposed colonial oppression upon it. India had now liberated herself, but this was no more than a first step towards true liberation.

The state of true liberation would be reached only when India had her own highly-developed industries — the real basis of the independence of States. So a great deal depended on the kind of aid an underdeveloped country was willing to accept.

The aid backward countries got from the West, said the Soviet Premier, was, in fact, the basis of "a new colonialism." The Western Powers wanted to keep India and other countries like her in a state of economic dependence, to discourage their own industrialization so as to make huge profits out of them as markets for consumer goods.

It was, he declared, the Socialist countries which started the very idea of aid-giving, by distributing their own small surplus as soon as they had contrived to build it up. "They may give you two roubles where Russia gives you one," he said in one of his speeches. "But if Russia did not give you one they would give you none at all."

Mr. Khrushchev repeatedly emphasized that—behind Russian aid there was, and could be, no desire to make profits. The Soviet aim was solely to fight poverty in the world, to prevent the exploitation of backward peoples and their continued oppression by the imperialists.

It was always apparent that Mr. Khrushchev was speaking over the heads of the Indian Government to the Indian people. Obliquely, he advocated the Communist method of bringing about complete economic revolution inside a backward country by saying that this was the method Russia had used, with such success that she would soon assume the economic leadership of the world, in spite of the fact that she had started off in a worse case than India, and with foreign interference, not foreign aid.

Before India's Parliament he defended Communism itself, saying that one party was enough for Russia, because, unlike the bourgeois democracies, she was one people, classless, with one common aim and no conflict.

The Soviet Premier's Indian audiences applauded him with enthusiasm, though India's "bourgeois" Members of Parliament were noticeably, and uniquely, silent when he praised the Communist order of society — which has just been rejected at a mid-term election in the State of Kerala. It is not really significant that no Indian got up to say a good word for the West or to dispute the suggestion that the sole aim of the U.S. in giving aid to India is self-enrichment and colonialist oppression. Indians are naturally polite on formal occasions and anyway all the speeches had been written in advance.

Ten to One

Indians will always prefer "peaceful competitive coexistence" to world tension and the threat of war, and not simply because their country so obviously profits by it. Upon reflection thoughtful Indians may wonder why they applauded criticism of, for example, the U.S., which gives India not two roubles as against Russia's one, but 10 times as many, one quarter of them virtually as a free gift.

It is already evident to most Indians that there are motives behind all foreign aid other than warm-hearted generosity. But if in the new peaceful competition for the souls of the backward peoples the Soviet Union continuously uses the kind of propaganda initiated by Mr. Khrushchev, and the West makes no adequate reply, the effect on the less-informed in India, and so upon Indian politics, could be profound. A saving grace for Indian democrats at the moment is, of course, Chinese pressure along India's Himalayan frontier. China has the same system and uses the same economic methods as those extolled by Mr. Khrushchev, and to Indians it is apparent that China's competitive instincts are anything but peaceful.

Finally, for India as for all other under-developed Afro-Asian and Latin American countries likely to be involved in the peaceful competition, an important question has surely been raised by Mr. Khrushchev's blunt speeches. Can the leaders of foreign states now committed to this unarmed rivalry be allowed to make propaganda for their conflicting causes on the very soil of the backward countries? If so, then a new and surely hazardous element will have been brought into the politics of the backward countries themselves.

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Higher Taxes 'Surprising'

Hamodia (World Agudat) holds that the surprise rise in taxes makes it clear that they were held up on account of the elections in order to deceive the public. But now that the deed is done, it is imperative to see to it that the manufacturers are not allowed to shift the burden to the consumer who, in the long run, is always the one who pays.

Haboker (General Zionist) writes that the public, and especially economic circles who felt sure that the Government had changed the approach to fiscal policy, have been taken by surprise. The tax increases are bound to raise prices and the country's economy will be directly and severely hit.

Lamerhav (Abdut Ha'avoda) avers that the Government's resort to increased indirect taxation is not likely to stop at luxuries; and in any case the Treasury will not achieve its aim of curbing consumption. The well-to-do will pay the prices asked while the poor, who are unable to save from their meagre income, do not buy luxuries anyway.

Herut writes that the public has no right to be angry at the latest advance of the tax steamroller; it has allowed itself to be fooled by election-propaganda into voting for the present Government.

Davar (Histadrut), on the other hand, holds that there is no reason why we should be upset over the new tax increases since the affected items are almost exclusively luxury or semi-luxury in character. That these taxes are needed to balance the budget is axiomatic, and the paper hopes that neither the public nor the banks will play into the hands of profiteers attempting to create a panic.

The paper also notes that Nasser is whipping up excitement because he has nothing else to show, while **Herut**, pointing out that the Egyptian ruler is following in the footsteps of Hitler, warns that if the powers do not check him while they can they will reap the whirlwind.

In connection with the Cairo dictator's claim that the Tripartite Declaration of 1950 is void, **Hatzofe**, (National-Religious), suggests that perhaps the time has come for a new all-power declaration guaranteeing border stability in the Middle East and introducing calm in the region.

VISITORS' GALLERY: Senor Jose Gonzales Navarro

Venezuelan Workers' Leader

MR. NAVARRO

THE President of the Venezuelan Confederation of Labour, Mr. Jose Gonzales Navarro, thinks that the organization the Histadrut has developed is perhaps the best for a society in which the workers' interests are given proper consideration. The 59-year-old trade union leader accompanied by his wife, has just completed a 10-day visit here as guest of the Histadrut and of the Foreign Ministry.

A key trade-union man in his country since 1935, Mr. Gonzales Navarro was arrested when a dictatorship was established in Venezuela. He spent almost six years in jail and then four in exile returning to Caracas on the eve of Perez Jimenez' downfall. A member of the Committee which organized the National Labour Council of Venezuela last November, he was elected its President. It was this body that passed a resolution to fight all dictatorship by helping the workers in them. For the Venezuelans, this means mainly the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua and Paraguay. Outside America, the Venezuelans heartily dislike Franco's regime.

The 1,000,000-strong Venezuelan Confederation of Labour, whose backbone are the country's 40,000 organized oil workers, is not affiliated to any international organization of trade unions. An all-American convention of the three main labour organizations operating in the Western Hemisphere has been called in Caracas for March.

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Readers' Letters

MEDICAL DELAY

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Many claims for impaired health are still pending before the German authorities. In all these cases an examination by a doctor in Israel is required. The competent authority in Israel is the "Medical Board for Indemnification Claims from Germany," which determines to which doctor the claimant must go for the required examination.

However, there is a great deal of delay on the part of this Board. Even after the claimant has paid the fee required by it, two months and more elapse before he is called to the doctor. It seems to me either that there is poor administration in this Board or that the number of doctors is too small. It is a fact that the procedure is held up here in Israel, even in cases when the German authorities want to settle quickly.

Yours, etc.
DR. SIEGFRIED NEUMANN
Nahariya, December 31.

Medical Board Replies

I agree that the delay in dealing with indemnification claims from Germany for impaired health is very much to be regretted but the chief cause lies in the difficulty of appointing enough doctors for this purpose.

The German authorities insisted in the beginning that only Government doctors who had been trained and licensed in Germany should give the necessary expert opinions for settling these claims. As this proved impossible in Israel, other suitable candidates have in the meantime been proposed and accepted. It should also be kept in mind that the German authorities naturally require not only expert opinions in the German language, but very thorough and time-consuming examinations, often by several specialists, in each case.

Since last summer, the number of doctors working for this Board has been greatly increased and actually doubled. The Board makes every effort to overcome the bottleneck created by the swelling of files transmitted from Germany, and it is hoped that the situation will gradually improve.

Y. B. NEUMANN, M.D., F.I.C.S.,
Chairman,
Government Medical Board for Indemnification Claims from Germany
Tel Aviv, January 17.

APPRECIATION

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I should be greatly obliged if you would print the following words of appreciation from a recent important visitor from the Philippines, who passed through Mandelbaum Gate at the end of last month:

"I wish to commend the officer in charge at Mandelbaum Gate for his courtesy and diligence to duty. He saved my portable typewriter, which the cab driver had left on the road when loading our things. Sunday evening, on the Israel side."

Yours, etc.
Wolfgang Zeev Salomon
Consul a.h.
Philippine Consulate
Haifa, February 22.

KEEPING POSTED

IN the hearts of many Englishmen, and more women, the private life of the Queen occupies the place allotted to that of film stars in America, with the added advantage that she is a permanent institution. (Even in republican Israel the pages of foreign magazines showing pictures of royalty, and specially their children, are much more heavily thumbed than those showing foreign ministers, floods and cattle shows.) Reams have been written on the royal birth from every possible angle. Only "The Times" writes, with a hint of embarrassment:

> **Outside Buckingham Palace a crowd of about 7,000 had been waiting with growing expectation throughout a sunny afternoon. It was with impeccably British restraint that the superintendent of the Palace police finally walked across the courtyard at 4.15 p.m. to post the bulletin on the railings. As he strode purposefully along in his black overcoat he turned and, smiling discreetly, said: "It's a boy!" whereupon there were a few quiet British cheers.**

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"THE Times" thinks the British public a joke. The "Economist" thinks the French public a joke:

> In a small southern town recently a gathering of local notables quivered with pride when informed by an official that their post office would shortly possess "yet another achievement of French technical genius"—a stamp-vending machine. What other country, the official asked, could boast a postal service comparable with the PTT? "What other country," the Prime Minister, M. Debre, cried a few months ago, "permits opposition newspapers to appear as we do?"

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WE think the United States Information Services a joke, because they don't keep their subconsciousness buried deep enough. Look at this: material sent by USIS to Kol Israel is forwarded to them by means of a printed slip sent, for some reason, care of the Ministry of Defence. By some odd association, their name figures as "Kil Israel" Orchestra.

BUT the Israel public is no joke. On the contrary, they appear to us excessively occupied with serious matters from an early age. We have here, for instance, a letter concerning the reply sent by three 12-year-old girls in Tel Aviv to a Peace Crusade recently undertaken by American 11-year-olds. The letter opens "We are 3 girls of 12. Our names are Ruth, Shlomit and Michal." Shlomit and Ruth make some of the more obvious points, but Shlomit adds with some force that the children of today will be grown up presently and then they can do as they like about it. Michal, on the other hand, has an original idea. If they read in the papers that there is a war somewhere, they should write a letter to children in that country telling them to refuse to eat until their parents agree to stop the war.

It's a wonderful idea, Michal, and we understand that Nasser has two little boys who would be just about the right age for you to correspond with, if the postal connections were more convenient.

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ANOTHER reason why the Israel public can never become a joke is that it has a sense of historical continuity. A correspondent writes that we omitted an important fact from the biography of Mr. Haim Yahil, the new Director-General of the Foreign Ministry. "In addition to the past tasks you mentioned in your article, he filled another important position with success. In 1922 he was the teacher of the fifth elementary class of the Jewish school in Prague, where he taught my daughter. He was a good teacher, and the children liked him very much." That's 38 years ago, and a pupil's mother remembers him. What could be nicer? Or take Professor Avraham Halevy Fraenkel, of the Hebrew University, who assisted at the opening of the new premises of the Feuchtwanger Bank in Jerusalem this week. Why did it give him special pleasure? Because he was of a careful turn of mind as a boy, and just 50 years ago opened his first savings account with the Feuchtwanger Bank in Munich.

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WE have received a complaint that puns are the lowest form of human activity, and that the word is submarine, not soupmarine, even if a soup factory gets mixed up with one of the big steel fish. But there we were, in the Foreign Ministry, looking for our horoscope in a French newspaper kept in the spokesman's room. He said "Nonsense. It's not a horoscope you people come for, but a horror scoop."

Today's contributors include H. Manor, Tel Aviv, and A., Jerusalem.

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MARGINAL COMMENT

Cyprus Prestige Tussle

By George Leonof

FOR all the world knows, the independence of Cyprus is being delayed by bargaining over 84 square miles of territory. This is no dispute of principle. All sides to the Zurich and London agreements, which set the stage for Cypriot independence, recognize that Britain is entitled to sovereignty over a stretch of island territory where she is to maintain military bases. Britain insists this sovereignty must extend to 120 square miles; Archbishop Makarios, President-elect of the republic-to-be, concedes no more than 36. Both sides base their claims on last year's London agreement, which seems to have neglected to include clear and unambiguous provisions as to the size of the British base.

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IT is difficult to believe that this was a simple oversight. Of the five parties to the agreement, the Archbishop and Dr. Fadil Kutchuk, the Turkish Cypriot leader, might have been tyros signing their first international pact, but with top diplomatic talent from Greece and Turkey there to advise them they were not exactly innocents abroad. The fifth party, Britain, required no coaching on the finer points of treaty-making. Far more probable that there was tacit agreement the differences over precise mileage should not be permitted to obscure the broad settlement reached in what were, in fact, remarkably thorough and statesmanlike negotiations. If the size of the base has now emerged as an issue threatening to poison the atmosphere, both parties to the dispute must share the responsibility for the absence of specific provisions, regardless of whether it was wiser and more expedient at the time to avoid involvement in detail.

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WITH three of the five signatories to the London agreement — Greece, Turkey and the Turkish Cypriots — unperturbed over the Archbishop's duel with the British Colonial Office, there is little likelihood that the situation will degenerate to the point of prejudicing the London agreement. Dr. Kutchuk has already put forward a compromise plan which Britain had originally rejected with ill-advised haste, and on which she seems to have had second thoughts. The plan calls for British sovereignty over 80 square miles, with an additional 40 square miles in which Britain would have special facilities, and this is apparently acceptable to Makarios. However strongly Britain may feel that her generosity and good faith at the time of the London agreement are now being unfairly exploited, the fact remains that her claim to 120 square miles is no less arbitrary than the far smaller area the Archbishop is ready to grant. There may be valid reasons why London can accept no less than it is demanding, but so far it has failed to present them. In any case, Dr. Kutchuk's plan would place at Britain's disposal the area she demands, although she would not have complete sovereignty over one-third of it. The arrival in Nicosia Tuesday of the British Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. Amery, must be taken to mean that Britain has recovered from her huff at having her military base estimates scrutinized.

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IT is already clear that a compromise will neither deprive Britain of any useful advantage in Cyprus, nor win for Cypriots any additional tangible benefits, since the Archbishop is not in a position to hold out for much more than is offered by the Kutchuk compromise. The net result of Makarios' stand on the bases may well be that he will emerge from the controversy with greater self-assurance and added prestige in the eyes of his own countrymen, of whom the right-wing extremists, at least, tended to support General Grivas' charges that Makarios had capitulated to the British and Turks.

Jerusalem, February 25.

Nasser Spreads African Net

By CHARLES P. ARNOT

CAIRO (NANA). — FROM Cairo today, the Moslem religion is being offered as a great unifying force for millions of Africans. Specific figures are difficult to obtain, but it is estimated conservatively that there are now between 35 and 45 million Africans south of the Sahara who have embraced the Moslem religion. Up to 15 million are said to have been converted over the past four years.

At the same time, Christianity appears to be losing ground. The reasons are not entirely political. Even some veteran missionaries concede that Christianity is "too complex" for the tribal African compared with the more simple doctrine of the prophet Mohammed. Moreover, Islam does not interfere with the age-old practice of polygamy in Africa.

Pouring out these days from the offices of the African refugee and exile groups in Cairo is a steady stream of pro-Islamic, anti-Christian literature. This material links the "imperialism and colonialism" of Britain, Portugal, France, Belgium and Spain with Christian missionaries seeking to convert the Africans. Western birth control is branded "murder."

The printing is done in Cairo under the auspices of the "Africa Association." The material bears the signature of the secretary of a so-called "African Research Group" which is said to have headquarters in Lagos, Nigeria.

Pan-African Headquarters

Three of the African organizations under Nasser's wing are located in a villa and in a part of a modern apartment house in the fashionable Cairo suburb of Zamalek. These are the Africa League, the Africa Association and the Pan-Africa division of the Afro-Asian Peoples Solidarity Congress. All three live in rent-free property which the Egyptians took over from the British after Suez. They do not pay for the use of the powerful Cairo radio for their regional broadcasts, and are given free communications facilities.

The Secretary of the Africa Association is an Egyptian, Dr. Abdel Aziz el-Hag, and the Secretary-General of the Afro-Asian Permanent Secretariat is another Egyptian, Youssef el-Sebai.

Spokesmen for the three organizations say they receive plenty of encouragement and plenty of money from Egypt, and from voluntary contributions. They add that they have been offered financial help from Communist sources, but have not accepted in view of Egypt's generosity.

African refugees and exiles say that the areas where the Moslem religion is now being "consolidated" include Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Nigeria, Mozambique, the Somalilands, southern Sudan and Tanganyika. A foothold is being established in Kenya, Nyasaland, Northern Rhodesia, and the Belgian Congo. Working today at Cairo's "African LIberation Headquarters" are delegations from Kenya, Uganda, Zanzibar, Kamerun, Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, Chad, the Sudan, Senegal, Eritrea and Somaliland.

Arabic Propagated

The common goal is simple and straightforward: "to achieve, without delay, free, independent African states throughout Africa to be governed by Africans."

The Africa Association maintains a sub-headquarters in Zanzibar, the British protectorate off the East African coast. From there, a campaign has been launched for the cultivation of the Arabic language throughout Africa.

The leader of the campaign is Ali Mohsin, head of the Zanzibar Nationalist Party which has frequently clashed with the British. Mohsin, who pays high tribute to Nasser's "crusading spirit," urges a common language. He points out that nearly half the population of the continent already understands Arabic.

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